

Council of the District of Columbia  
Committee on Government Operations and the Environment  
Committee of the Whole  
**Notice of Joint Public Hearing**  
1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20004

**REVISED/ABBREVIATED**

**Councilmember Mary M. Cheh, Chair**  
**Committee on Government Operations and the Environment**  
**and**  
**Chairman Vincent C. Gray, Chair**  
**Committee of the Whole**

Announce

**A Joint Public Hearing on**

**Bill 18-564, the "Healthy Schools Act of 2009"**

**February 10, 2010**

**10:00 AM**

**Room 412**

**John A. Wilson Building**  
**1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.**

Councilmember Mary M. Cheh, Chair of the Committee on Government Operations and the Environment, and Chairman Vincent C. Gray, Chair of the Committee of the Whole, will hold a joint public hearing on Bill 18-564, the Healthy Schools Act of 2009. The joint public hearing will begin at 10:00 AM on Wednesday, February 10, 2010 in Room 412 of the John A. Wilson Building, 1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W. This hearing notice has been revised to reflect a new time and date. This notice has been abbreviated to give timely notice to the public.

The purpose of the bill, as introduced, is to improve the nutrition, health, and wellness of our public school students. Specifically, this bill would (1) raise school nutritional requirements to meet national standards; (2) establish a farm-to-school program in the District of Columbia; (3) address the youth obesity epidemic by increasing physical activity; (4) promote recycling, composting, clean air, green schools, and school gardens; (5) improve school wellness, asthma treatment, and allergy management; and (6) reconstitute an existing body as a Healthy Youth and Schools Commission to create long-term solutions. A revised draft of the bill will be available in the Committee on Government Operations and the Environment on February 3, 2010.

Anyone wishing to testify at the hearing should contact Ms. Aukima Benjamin, staff assistant to the Committee on Government Operations and the Environment, at 724-8062, or via e-mail at [abenjamin@dccouncil.us](mailto:abenjamin@dccouncil.us). Witnesses should bring 15 copies of their written testimony to the hearing. If possible, witnesses should submit a copy of their testimony in advance of the hearing to [abenjamin@dccouncil.us](mailto:abenjamin@dccouncil.us). Witnesses will be allowed a maximum of three (3) minutes for oral presentation.

If you are unable to testify at the hearing, written statements are encouraged and will be made a part of the official record. Copies of written statements should be submitted either to the Committee on Government Operations and the Environment, or to Ms. Cynthia Brock-Smith, Secretary to the Council, Room 5 of the John A. Wilson Building, 1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C., 20004. The record will close at the end of the business day on February 16, 2010.

# **Council of the District of Columbia Committee of the Whole Notice of Public Hearing**

John A. Wilson Building 1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W. Washington, DC 20004

**CHAIRMAN VINCENT C. GRAY  
ANNOUNCES A PUBLIC HEARING  
BY THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE ON**

**BILL 18-605, "PRE-K ACCELERATION AND CLARIFICATION  
AMENDMENT ACT OF 2010"**

**WEDNESDAY, MARCH 31, 2010, 10:00 A.M.  
JOHN A. WILSON BUILDING, ROOM 500  
1350 PENNSYLVANIA AVENUE, N.W.**

Council Chairman Vincent C. Gray announces a public hearing by the Committee of the Whole on Bill 18-605, the "Pre-K Acceleration and Clarification Amendment Act of 2010," on Wednesday, March 31, 2010, at 10:00 a.m., in Room 500 of the John A. Wilson Building.

The purpose of the bill, as introduced by Chairman Gray, is to amend the original Pre-K Enhancement and Expansion Act of 2008 (D.C. Law 17-202) to (1) bring the District into full compliance with the federal Head Start Act of 2007 and establish a state coordinating council for early childhood education; (2) accelerate the implementation of critical enhancement and workforce development provisions of the original legislation; and (3) clarify the Council's original legislative intent to ensure that public schools, public charter schools, and community-based organizations are eligible for enhancement and pre-k workforce development funds.

Persons who wish to testify at the Hearing are requested to contact **Aretha Latta** at (202) 724-8196 or by e-mail at [alatta@dccouncil.us](mailto:alatta@dccouncil.us) to sign up by close of business on Monday, March 29, 2010. When registering to testify, persons should leave their name, telephone number, email and mailing addresses, and organization they are representing, if any. Each person presenting oral testimony may be limited to THREE (3) minutes in order to permit each witness an opportunity to be heard. Witnesses testifying at the public hearing are requested to provide 20 copies of their written testimony at the hearing or submit one copy of their written testimony by March 29, 2010.

Written statements for the record are encouraged and will be made a part of the official record. All written testimony should be submitted to the Committee of the Whole, John A. Wilson Building, 1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W., Suite 410, Washington, D.C. 20004, or sent to Jesse Bailey at [jbailey@dccouncil.us](mailto:jbailey@dccouncil.us).

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**COUNCILMEMBER MARY M. CHEH, CHAIRPERSON  
COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS AND THE ENVIRONMENT**

Announces a Public Hearing on

**Bill 18-610, the "Omnibus Procurement Reform Amendment Act of 2010"  
Bill 18-635, the "Procurement Reform Act of 2010"**

**March 23, 2010**

**10:30 AM**

**Room 500**

**John A. Wilson Building  
1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.**

On Tuesday, March 23, 2010, Councilmember Mary M. Cheh, Chairperson of the Committee on Government Operations and the Environment, will hold a public hearing on Bill 18-610, the "Omnibus Procurement Reform Amendment Act of 2010", and B18-635, the "Procurement Reform Act of 2010."

Bill 18-610 seeks to improve efficiency, oversight, and transparency in the District's contracting system. Specifically, this bill would (1) create a procurement ombudsman to monitor contracts and conduct audits; (2) build a website to maintain an array of contract documents, District agency procurement regulations, and information related to staff members involved in a particular contract; (3) require that sole-source contracts be posted online two weeks before they are awarded and that the District post all emergency contracts within one week of being awarded; (4) directs that an environmental impact analysis be conducted on all contracts in excess of \$100,000; and (5) institutes training requirements for contracting staff and includes mandates for timely planning of all District contracts. Bill 18-635 would replace the Procurement Practices Act of 1985 with a revised procurement law. The public hearing will begin at 10:30 AM in Room 500 of the John A. Wilson Building, 1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.

Anyone wishing to testify at the hearing should contact Aukima Benjamin, staff assistant to the Committee on Government Operations and the Environment, at 724-8062, or via e-mail at [abenjamin@dccouncil.us](mailto:abenjamin@dccouncil.us). Witnesses should bring 15 copies of their written testimony and submit a copy of their testimony electronically to [abenjamin@dccouncil.us](mailto:abenjamin@dccouncil.us). Representatives of organizations will be allowed a maximum of five (5) minutes for oral presentation, and individuals will be allowed a maximum of three (3) minutes for oral presentation.

If you are unable to testify at the hearing, written statements are encouraged and will be made a part of the official record. Copies of written statements should be submitted either to the Committee on Government Operations and the Environment, or to Ms. Cynthia Brock-Smith, Secretary to the Council, Room 5 of the John A. Wilson Building, 1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20004. The record will close at the end of the business day on March 30, 2010.

**Council of the District of Columbia  
Committee on Public Safety and the Judiciary  
Notice of Public Oversight Roundtable**

1350 Pennsylvania Ave., N.W., Washington, D.C. 20004

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**COUNCILMEMBER PHIL MENDELSON, CHAIRPERSON  
COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY AND THE JUDICIARY ANNOUNCES A  
PUBLIC OVERSIGHT ROUNDTABLE**

on

**Continuing Overtime and Pay Problems in the Fire and Emergency Medical Services  
Department**

on

**Wednesday, February 17, 2010  
10:00 a.m., Hearing Room 120, John A. Wilson Building  
1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20004**

Councilmember Phil Mendelson, Chairperson of the Committee on Public Safety and the Judiciary, announces a public oversight roundtable on continuing overtime and pay problems in the Fire and Emergency Medical Services Department. The hearing will be held at 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday, February 17, 2010 in Hearing Room 120 of the John A. Wilson Building.

The purpose of the oversight roundtable is to hear and receive testimony on two issues. First, the Fire and Emergency Medical Services Department's management and control of overtime spending. FEMS has overspent its overtime budget the last several years and is on track to do so again by double. Second, FEMS continues to suffer pay problems that are detrimental to agency personnel. The roundtable will focus on what measures FEMS is undertaking to reduce the agency's use of overtime and to correct ongoing problems with regard to pay. Testimony will be limited to these two issues. A similar roundtable was held on January 20, 2010 and the Committee will continue to hold these oversight hearings until these two problems are under control.

Those who wish to testify should contact Mr. Brian Moore, Legislative Counsel or Ms. Deborah Kelly, Legislative Clerk, at (202) 724-7808, by fax at (202) 724-6664, or via e-mail at [dkelly@dccouncil.us](mailto:dkelly@dccouncil.us), and provide their name, address, telephone number, organizational affiliation and title (if any) by close of business Monday, February 15, 2010. Persons wishing to testify are encouraged, but not required, to submit 15 copies of written testimony. If submitted by the close of business on Monday, February 15, 2010 the testimony will be distributed to Councilmembers before the hearing. Witnesses should limit their testimony to five minutes; less time will be allowed if there are a large number of witnesses.

If you are unable to testify at the hearing, written statements are encouraged and will be made a part of the official record. Copies of written statements should be submitted either to Ms. Kelly, or to Ms. Cynthia Brock-Smith, Secretary to the Council, Room 5 of the Wilson Building, 1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20004. The record will close at 5:00 p.m. on March 3, 2010.

**Council of the District of Columbia**

Committee Of the Whole

Subcommittee on Taxicabs

**Notice of Public Roundtable**

1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, D.C. 20004

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**COUNCILMEMBER MICHAEL A. BROWN, CHAIR  
SUBCOMMITTEE ON TAXICABS****Announces a Public Roundtable On****PR18-0662: District of Columbia Taxicab Commission Paul Cohn Confirmation  
Resolution of 2009****PR18-0663: District of Columbia Taxicab Commission I. Raj Pahwa Confirmation  
Resolution of 2009****PR18-0664: District of Columbia Taxicab Commission Ralph Burns Confirmation  
Resolution of 2009****On****Thursday, February 11, 2010****1:00 p.m.****Room 412****1350 Pennsylvania Avenue NW  
Washington, D.C. 20004**

Councilmember Michael A. Brown, Chair of the Subcommittee on Taxicabs, announces a Public Roundtable on PR18-0662 "District of Columbia Taxicab Commission Paul Cohn Confirmation Resolution of 2009"; PR18-0663 "District of Columbia Taxicab Commission I. Raj Pahwa Confirmation Resolution of 2009"; PR18-0664 "District of Columbia Taxicab Commission Ralph Burns Confirmation Resolution of 2009". The roundtable will be held on February 11, 2010 at 1:00 p.m., in Room 412, of the John A. Wilson Building, 1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW.

The purpose of the roundtable is to hear testimony about the Executive's nomination of Paul Cohn, I. Raj Pahwa, and Ralph Burns as Commissioners of the District of Columbia Taxicab Commission. The mission of the DC Taxicab Commission is to provide the citizens of the District of Columbia and its visitors a safe, comfortable, efficient and affordable taxicab experience in well-equipped vehicles operated by highly qualified individuals who have knowledge of the District's streets, boundaries, history and tourist destinations, as well as the basic tenets of high quality customer service.

Members of the public are invited to testify. Testimony will be limited to 3 minutes per witness. Those wishing to testify should contact Ms. Brittney Madison of the Office of Councilmember Michael A. Brown via email at [bmadison@dccouncil.us](mailto:bmadison@dccouncil.us), or by phone at (202) 654-6421, by Tuesday, February 9, 2010. Witnesses should bring 15 copies of their written testimony to the hearing.

Members of the public may submit written testimony which will be made part of the official record. Copies of written statements should be submitted to Ms. Cynthia Brock-Smith, Secretary to the Council, 1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Suite 5, Washington, DC 20004, no later than 5:30 p.m., Monday, February 15, 2010.